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Re: A-CHEM Site  
Chicago, IL  
TDD # T05-9103-007  
PAN # EIL0733SAA

Dear Mr. Heaton:

The Ecology and Environment Inc., (E & E) Technical Assistance Team (TAT) was tasked to perform a site inspection and collect samples from the A-CHEM Site and neighbors property. A-CHEM is an abandoned chemical site located in Chicago, Illinois.

An yellow watery liquid is known to surface up from a neighboring courtyard during heavy rains. According to the site information, one of the children from a neighboring house is suffering from a nervous disorder called "GILLIAN BERRET". TAT was tasked, as part of this site inspection, to inquire if this nervous disorder was related to high concentrations of chromium associated with A-CHEM Site.

TAT consulted a toxicologist and a pediatrician about this nervous disorder. According to the two physicians, "GILLIAN BERRET" is known to be a viral related nervous disorder. Toxicologist is of the opinion that no known effects of chromium have been documented leading to Gillian Berret disorder.

Per On-Scene Coordinator (OSC) Verneta Simon's conversation with Assistant Technical Assistance Team Leader (ATATL) Tom Kouris, no further site actions are recommended at this time. Hence, TAT requests that the Technical Direction Document (TDD) for the A-CHEM Site be closed.

If you should have any questions, please feel free to contact us.

Sincerely,

*Raghavender Rao Nagam*

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cc: Verneta Simon, OSC